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The following is a listing of the references in question.

- DE 19640872 Germany

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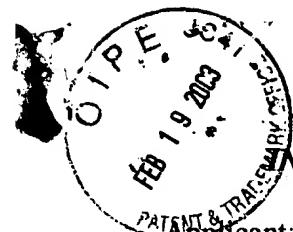
Applicants are also respectfully submitting a form PTO-1449 with all references mailed to USPTO with Information Disclosure Statement dated June 28, 2000.

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- Information Disclosure Submission dated February 5, 2003.
- Form PTO-1449 (1 page)
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- Copy of the patent document: D 196 40 872 A1

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